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AFTER FINAL REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Honorable Sir:

Applicants submit this Reply and Amendment in response to the final Office Action mailed on November 2, 2009.

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to claim 1 for informalities, rejected claims 1, 3, and 16 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e), and rejected claims 1, 3, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116 and in response to the subject Office Action, applicants herein amend claim 1 to comply with requirements of form expressly set forth by the Examiner in the Office Action. Reconsideration of the application for patent is requested.

Amendments to the Specification are not presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are not presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 7.